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1. QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR SOVIET AND EASTERN EUROPEAN
AFFAIRS JEAN-PIERRE BEAUCHATAUD TELLS US THAT DE
GUIRINGAUD'S UPCOMING ONE AND A HALF DAY CONVERSATIONS
IN MOSCOW WILL CENTER ON CSCE AND BELGRADE; DISARMAMENT
AND NON-PROLIFERATION; THE MIDDLE EAST; AFRICA; AND,
MOST IMPORTANTLY OF COURSE, PREPARATIONS FOR THE
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BREZHNEV VISIT.

2. VISIT NOW DEFINITELY SET FOR RAMBOUILLET, ALTHOUGH
BREZHNEV MAY COME TO PARIS FOR CERTAIN PROTOCOLARY
EVENTS INCLUDING SIGNATURE OF TEXTS AND AGREEMENTS.
SOVIETS HAVE RECENTLY GIVEN FRENCH A DRAFT OF A
"POLITICAL DOCUMENT" FOR ISSUANCE AS A "DECLARATION" IN

CONNECTION WITH BREZHNEV'S VISIT; WHICH QUAI SAYS IS MUCH LONGER THAN THE USUAL COMMUNIQUE AND WILL REQUIRE CONSIDERABLE PARING DOWN. PRESUMABLY THIS WILL BE TASK FOR ANDREANI WHO, TOGETHER WITH BEAUCHATAUD, IS ACCOMPANYING DE GUIRINGAUD TO MOSCOW.

3. ON SPECIFIC ISSUES, BEAUCHATAUD EXPRESSED ONLY CERTAIN APPREHENSION WITH REGARD TO CSCE, SINCE FRENCH CONTINUE TO FEAR SOVIETS MAY TRY TO INSIST ON AGREEMENT BEFORE OR AT THE PREPARATORY CONFERENCE ON A "POLITICAL CONCEPTION" AS PRECONDITION FOR BELGRADE. IN THIS CONNECTION DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL FRENCH REPORT OF SOVIET EMPHASIS THIS POINT DURING DUBININ'S VISIT HERE (PARIS 13372) WHICH BEAUCHATAUD RECALLED. SUBSEQUENT FRENCH CSCE CONVERSATIONS WITH HUNGARIANS TENDED TO REASSURE THEM. HOWEVER, EVEN MORE RECENT CONTACTS WITH POLES CREATED IMPRESSION HERE THAT THE MAY 25-26 WARSAW PACT FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING MAY HAVE PRODUCED AGREEMENT ON EVEN GREATER EMPHASIS ON A "PRIOR POLITICAL CONCEPTION." POLES, IN ANY CASE, ACCORDING TO BEAUCHATAUD, WERE VERY FIRM ON THIS POINT. (COMMENT: QUAI'S IMPRESSION OBVIOUSLY CONTRASTS WITH MORE RELAXED SIGNALS OBTAINED BY ITALIANS AS REPORTED MOSCOW'S 7720. WE WILL PURSUE ISSUE WITH FRANCIS BEAUCHATAUD AND ANDREANI IN COURSE OF COMING WEEK.

4. QUAI EXPECTS EXCHANGE ON DISARMAMENT TO PRODUCE LITTLE OF SUBSTANCE, ALTHOUGH BEAUCHATAUD HINTED VAGUELY AT POSSIBILITY FRENCH GESTURE IN AREA OF UN DISARMAMENT
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FIELD. ON NON-PROLIFERATION THERE IS SUBSTANTIALLY GREATER OVERLAPPING OF VIEWS. A MATIGNON SOURCE SAYS A SEPARATE "PROTOCOL" ON THIS SUBJECT IS IN PREPARATION. BEAUCHATAUD, SO FAR, HAS NOT CONFIRMED THIS. AS REGARDS AFRICA, DE GUIRINGAUD ONCE MORE INTENDS TO EXPLAIN FRENCH INTERESTS AND CONCERNS -- PARTICULARLY AS REGARDS DJIBOUTI AND ZAIRE. AS FOR ME, BEAUCHATAUD DID NOT ELABORATE.

5. HE DID CONFIRM THAT, AS WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, VARIOUS ECONOMIC TEXTS ARE IN PREPARATION FOR THE BREZHNEV VISIT AND WILL BE TOUCHED ON IN BILATERAL PART OF DISCUSSION. FRENCH WILL ALSO PRESS GROMYKO ONCE AGAIN ON ISSUE OF IMPROVED TREATMENT OF FRENCH SPECIALISTS WORKING IN USSR.
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